

REMARKS

Receipt of the restriction requirement mailed December 30, 2002 is acknowledged. This paper is intended to be a full and complete response to that communication.

STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

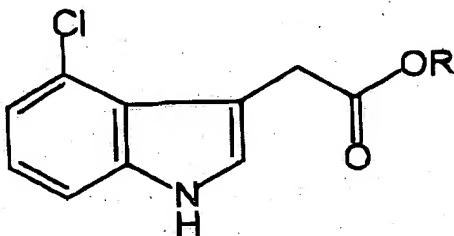
Claims 5-24 are subject to a species election.

Claims 5-11, 13, 15-20, 22-24 remain.

Claims 12, 14, and 19 have been canceled.

ELECTION OF SPECIES

The applicant respectfully elects a root inducing compound of formula I



wherein R is Hydrogen.

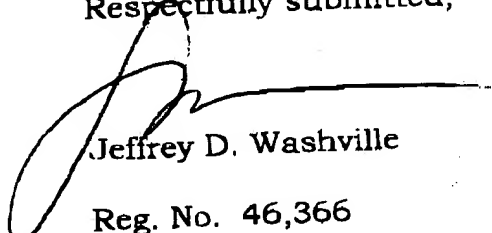
Additional ingredients for dependent claims elected are alcohol (Thinner), a polyoxyethylene alkylphenyl ether and calcium (thick solution). Growth promoter of nonyl phenyl ether is elected. Each of the elected additional ingredients have different benefits.

The claims readable on the election are 5-11, 13, 15-20, 22-24. Please cancel the non-elected claims. If the elected ingredient of formula 1 is held to be allowable claims 12, 14, and 19 will be resubmitted.

### III Conclusion

This is considered to be a good faith election of species and additional ingredients and a complete response. If further information or election information is required feel free to contact this office for further response.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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